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- 2. Relevance of the non-English language reference 3 is discussed in the present specification.
- 3. References 1-2 were cited in the International Search Report. An English language version of the International Search Report is attached for the Examiner's information.
- 4. English language Abstracts of the non-English language references are attached hereto.

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